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Serial No.:	10/540,734) Art Unit) 2874
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- Transmittal for Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (3 pages)
- Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages)
- Form PTO-1449 listing 3 references (2 pages)
- A copy of European Search Report for EP 03 78 6309
- A copy of 2 Non-US references listed on the Form PTO-1449

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TRANSMITTAL FOR SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, which includes the following statements, if any, required variously by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98:

	Statement of relevance of selected cited references not in the English language which are not translated.
	Statement that selected cited references are substantially cumulative of an enclosed or previously submitted reference.
_	Statement that selected cited references were previously cited by or submitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office in a prior application which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

	A.	Additi	onal Materials Required Due to Content of Information Disclosure Statement	
as req			re the following documents in addition to the Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98:	
	<u>X</u>	Form PTO-1449 listing 3 references submitted for consideration.		
	<u>X</u>	A cop	y of 2 of the references listed on the Form PTO-1449.	
			th translations of () of the references listed on the Form PTO-1449 are not in the English language.	
		Copies of the following documents from the prosecution of a previous, related application:		
			Form PTO-1449 AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT; and	
			Form PTO-892	
	В.	Additi Staten	onal Materials Required Due to Timing of Filing of Information Disclosurement	
of the			ed Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within one (1) (4) time periods:	
	I.	X	Prior to the later of either three (3) months following the filing date or the mailing of a first Office Action. Accordingly, no materials other than those listed above are enclosed.	
	II.		Following the latter of either three (3) months following the filing date or the mailing of a first Office Action, but before the mailing of a final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance. Accordingly, to secure consideration thereof, one (1) of the following is also enclosed:	
			Promptness Certification; or	
			Check No in the amount of constituting the submission feet set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).	
	III.		After the mailing of a Notice of Allowance, but before payment of the Issue Fee. Accordingly, in order to secure consideration thereof, each of the following are also enclosed:	
			Promptness Certificate;	
			Petition for Consideration; and	

		Check No. in the amount of constituting the petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i)(1).		
IV.		After payment of the Issue Fee. Accordingly, in order to secure consideration thereof, each of the following are also enclosed:		
		Petition to Withdraw from Issue; and		
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C.	Fees			
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of or any deficiency in the following fees associated with this communication, or to credit any overpayment thereof, to Deposit Account No. 23-3178. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.				
<u>X</u>		Any fee required in relation to filing of this letter or any documents transmitted therewith.		
	1.97(c	The submission fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) in the event that 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) applies and the Examiner is not satisfied that any Promptness Certificate submitted meets the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e).		
	The submission fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).			
	The petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i)(1).			
Dated	this 10 ^t	h day of July 2006.		
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97

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Sir:

Please find, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(1), the enclosed Form PTO-1449 which contains a list of all patents, publications, or other items that have come to the attention of one or more of the individuals designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c). While no representation is made that these references may be "prior art" within the meaning of that term under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103, the enclosed listed references are disclosed so as to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

Moreover, while no representation is made that a specific search of office files or patent office records has been conducted or that no better art exists, the undersigned attorney of record believes that the enclosed art is the closest to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) of which the undersigned is presently aware, and no art which is closer to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) has been knowingly withheld.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, a copy of each of the listed references or relevant portion thereof that is not a US patent document is also enclosed.

NON-PRIOR ART DOCUMENTS

Attached for the examiner's information is a copy of a European Search Report dated May 11, 2006 for European Application No. EP 03 78 6309 which relates to the present application.

Dated this 10th day of July 2006.

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATIONS MADE BY APPLICANT

		U.S. Patent Documents		
Examiner <u>Initial*</u>	Document Number	Issue <u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>2</u>
1	6,144,480	11/07/2000	Li et a	1.
		Foreign Patent Documents		
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2	WO 02/075411 A1	09/26/2002	PCT	N/A
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3		<i>Holographic Optical Switching:</i> , Vol. 18, No. 12, December 200		strator, Journal of
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References Cited by Applicants

While the filing of Information Disclosure Statements is voluntary, the procedure is governed by the guidelines of Section 609 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. To be considered a proper Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 shall be accompanied by a copy of each listed patent or publication or other item of information and a translation of the pertinent portions of foreign documents (if an existing translation is readily available to the applicant), an explanation of relevance of each reference not in the English language, and should be submitted in a timely manner as set out in MPEP Sec. 609.

Examiners will consider all citations submitted in conformance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 and MPEP Sec. 609 and place their initials adjacent the citations in the spaces provided on this form. Examiners will also initial citations not in conformance with the guidelines which may have been considered. A reference may be considered by the Examiner for any reason whether or not the citation is in full conformance with the guidelines. A line will be drawn through a citation if it is not in conformance with the guidelines AND has not been considered. A copy of the submitted form, as reviewed by the Examiner, will be returned to the applicant with the next communication. The original of the form will be entered into the application file.

Each citation initialed by the Examiner will be printed on the issued patent in the same manner as references cited by the Examiner on Form PTO-892.

The reference designations "A1," "A2," etc. (referring to Applicant's reference 1, Applicant's reference 2, etc.) will be used by the Examiner in the same manner as Examiner's reference designations "A," "B," "C," etc. on Office Action Form PTO-1142.

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